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NE 28th St and 165th Ave NE

My Action Plan for NE 28th St and 165th Ave NE

Are you feeling inspired to take action to address the traffic concerns on NE 28th St and 165th Ave NE? Here is a
checklist to help you get started:
Talk to my neighbors and share the City's findings and recommendations
List interested neighbors who want to help me with efforts:
Decide the educational programs we want to participate in:
Neighborhood Speed Watch
Radar Dolly
Sign and Pledge Program
Contact City staff to set-up a training session and get materials
Notes:

More info

Find out more about these recommendations in our **Residential Traffic Guidebook** or by logging on to **Streets are for Everyone** (SAFE)—Neighborhood Traffic Safety Services' blog.

Blog: http://bellevuentss.wordpress.com

Guidebook: http://www.bellevuewa.gov/pdf/Transportation/Guidebook_Web.pdf





TRAFFIC ACTION PLAN



2013-023 NE 28th St and 165th Ave NE

December 17, 2013

Bellevue, WA 98008

Subject: Speeding Concerns on NE 28th St and 165th Ave NE

Dear

Thank you for contacting Neighborhood Traffic Safety Services and letting us know your concerns with vehicle speeds on NE 28th St and 165th Ave NE. We have completed a field review and data analysis and compiled this information into the enclosed Traffic Action Plan (TAP), as well as our recommendations.

Speed studies were conducted on NE 28th St east of 165th Ave NE and on 165th Ave NE south of NE 28th St. From the speed studies conducted in Sept/Oct 2013 on NE 28th St, 85% of motorists were traveling at or below 34 mph in the eastbound direction and at or below 35 mph in the westbound direction. From the speed studies conducted on 165th Ave NE, 85% of motorists were traveling at or below 26 mph in the northbound direction and at or below 25 mph in the southbound direction. The posted speed limit is 25 mph.

You requested the installation of speed humps to slow down speeding motorists. Physical measures such as speed humps are limited to streets where the majority of motorists are exceeding the posted speed limit by 10 mph. These guidelines were established based on the impact these measures have on emergency response. Although 165th Ave NE does not meet this criteria, NE 28th St does qualify for further review of physical measures, such as speed humps. This coming spring, we will begin to develop a preliminary Traffic Improvement Project for NE 28th St with the help of area residents.

In the interim, we encourage you and your neighbors to participate in one of our education programs as described on page 3 of this report. One of the options that would work well for the situation you've described is to borrow a radar dolly. The radar dolly displays a vehicle's speed on a reader board. The radar dolly has been effective in decreasing vehicle speeds in many areas of Bellevue by encouraging motorists to reduce their speed. I encourage you to fill out the radar dolly request form. Once we receive this form from you, City staff will contact you to make arrangements for both the drop-off and pick-up of the radar dolly at your home.

Another one of your requests was for the installation of sidewalks. Many developments such as yours were built in the 1960s and had no code requirements to install sidewalks. In 2007, the Neighborhood Sidewalk Program was established to help address sidewalk needs and priorities of the City's many neighborhoods. If you and your neighbors would like your street to be considered for a sidewalk, we encourage you to become involved in this program and the prioritization process for sidewalk projects. You can read more about the program here: http://www.ci.bellevue.wa.us/neighborhood-sidewalk-plan.htm.





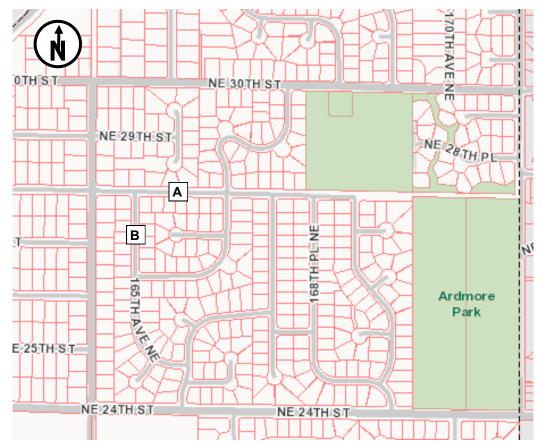
NE 28th St and 165th Ave NE

We appreciate your concerns and look forward to working with you. Please feel free to contact me at lglas@bellevuewa.gov or 425-452-2841 to participate in any of the education programs described in this Traffic Action Plan.

Sincerely,

Linda Glas

Linda Glas, P.E.



Summary of Findings

*85% of vehicles traveling at or below this speed

Date Location	Average Daily Traffic	Average Speeds		85th% Speeds*	
		Eastbound	Westbound	Eastbound	Westbound
A NE 28th St east of 165th Ave NE	581	29	29	34	35
		Northbound	Southbound	Northbound	Southbound
B 165th Ave NE south of NE 28th St	102	21	19	26	25
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Education, Encouragement, and Enforcement

By educating the community and encouraging safe driving, we can begin to change driver behavior and reduce vehicle speeds.



Educate the Community



Enhance Neighborhood Identity



Reduce Excessive Vehicle Speeds

Neighborhood Speed Watch (****)





Using a borrowed radar unit, you record information about vehicles you observe traveling at or above 30 mph. NTSS staff then locate the registered owners of the vehicles and send a letter to them asking for their cooperation in reducing their speed. A partner to assist you with the data collection is recommended.

Radar Dolly



You can borrow and place a radar dolly on your street for up to two weeks. This unit gives motorists feedback on the speed at which they are driving, encouraging them to obey the speed limit. Should you like to borrow the radar dolly, please request it by calling (425) 452-6457 or sign up on www.bellevuewa.gov/radardolly.htm.

Police Enforcement





If you would like to request enforcement, please do so by calling (425) 577-5656. You can also submit a Traffic Service Request at

bellevuewa.gov/Traffic_Service_Request.htm. Please be specific about the location and times of your concern. The more information you can provide to Police, the better the chance they will be able to address your concern.

Sign and Pledge Program (****)







This program involves lending communities portable signs that encourage motorists to respect the neighborhood, drive responsibly, and drive 25 mph. The signs are moved by community volunteers from place to place throughout the neighborhood every few days. The second part of the program is a neighborhood pace car program. Residents who pledge to drive responsibly and drive the speed limit on all neighborhood streets receive magnetic bumper stickers or window clings to place on their vehicles. As these motorists drive 25 mph on residential streets, they set the pace for drivers behind them.











